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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE  
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Henri Jacques Suermondt et al.

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Application No.: 09/846,069

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Title: METHOD FOR A TOPIC HIERARCHY CLASSIFICATION SYSTEM

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PO Box 1450  
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

Sir:

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- (X) Response/Amendment ( ) Petition to extend time to respond  
( ) New fee as calculated below ( ) Supplemental Declaration  
(X) No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")  
( ) Other: (fee \$ )

| CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY       |  |                        |  |                         |             |                           |
|--|--|------------------------|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| (1)<br>FOR   | (2)<br>CLAIMS REMAINING<br>AFTER AMENDMENT | (3)<br>NUMBER<br>EXTRA | (4)<br>HIGHEST NUMBER<br>PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5)<br>PRESENT<br>EXTRA | (6)<br>RATE | (7)<br>ADDITIONAL<br>FEES |
| TOTAL<br>CLAIMS                                      | 35   | MINUS                  | 35   | = 0                     | X \$18      | \$ 0                      |
| INDEP.<br>CLAIMS                                     | 7  | MINUS                  | 7  | = 0                     | X \$86      | \$ 0                      |
| [ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM |  |                        |  |                         | + \$290     | \$ 0                      |
| EXTENSION<br>FEE                                     | 1ST MONTH<br>\$110.00                      | 2ND MONTH<br>\$420.00  | 3RD MONTH<br>\$950.00                        | 4TH MONTH<br>\$1480.00  |             | \$ 0                      |
| OTHER FEES   |  |                        |  |                         |             | \$                        |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT              |  |                        |  |                         |             | \$ 0                      |

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By Vickie Ishimaru

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Respectfully submitted,

Henri Jacques Suermondt et al.

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